Raritan Valley Art Association Newsletter

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Happy New Year! I hope your holidays were great! Our tree and lights are still up, and will be for a while; we need more time to enjoy them.

Holiday Wrap-up time! (No, not the paper with glittery trees and frosty snowmen wrap, or even gifts in boxes to return, but a wrap-up of RVAA's holiday accomplishments). Our Holiday Show & Sale at the Somerset County Library, which was gracefully accomplished by Corinne Kenney--thank you, Corinne!--recently ended. Lots of good comments were overheard and quite a few mimeos concerning RVAA and its programs were taken. Thanks to Marian Cornwell, our treasurer, who reports that 27 artists participated in the show (8 of whom sold) and 22 paintings were sold. Since \$1,812. was taken in, the library will receive \$181.20. Not too shabby, in this economy! The Holiday Show was also our judged show (by Robert Starkey), which was ably handled by Elsa Herrmann. Awards were presented at our festive Main Street Restaurant dinner (produced by Nona Rutter--the affair, not the meal) and are as follows:

Best in Show, with the Grumbacher Award-Diana Patton (was I delighted!)

Pro, under glass:

1st Corinne Kenney

2nd Anne Hand

3rd Marge Braun

Pro, not under glass:

Non-pro, under glass:

1st Susan Furey

2nd Andrea Morrison

3rd Carol Churchill

Non-pro, not under glass:

1st Kathy Durham 1st Debbie Hughes
2nd Sonia Weir 2nd Eleanor DeMott

3rd Ken McNally

Our next meeting at the Somerset County Library will be Monday, January 30th, at 7:30 pm. Program Chairwoman Debbie Tintle has me lined up for a watercolor demo. I thought I'd demonstrated recently for RVAA, but John's records show me as last demo-ing for you in Feb. '92. Where did almost 3 years go? Please NOTE that in February our meeting is on a Wednesday, the 16th, and man-of-many-media Mark deMos will demonstrate.

President Ed Golubiewski received a phone call message from Rita Doering who would like an artist demonstrator for the Discover Art Program at

the Immaculate Conception School in Somerville (perhaps for the second grade). Please call Rita at 685-2299 for more information.

SHOW OPPORTUNITIES: RVAA member Fran Maurer schedules shows for the Provident Savings Bank in Green Brook; you may call Fran at 968-0739. RVAAer Helen Maier arranges shows for United National Banks in Oldwick and in Branchburg; please call Helen at 534-9713. Finally, if you are interested in a show at Children's Specialized Hospital, on New Providence Road in Mountainside, you may call Marcia Kozarich at (908) 561-6185.

Please note.......Membership Chairwoman Lib Ryman is unable to continue in this position because of pressing personal obligations and so Linda Arnold will now take over this position. Lib, we all thank you for all your hard work these past few years, not only as membership chairwoman, but also for mailing out all the Newsletters. Any one with membership questions or prospective members can get in touch with Linda at 647-3610.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

(shouldn't one of your 1995 Resolutions be to write me YOUR news?)
Carol Churchill has a one-woman show this month at United National
Bank in Oldwick.

Kathy Durham has a show of her work at United National on Orr Drive in Branchburg; in February she'll show in Oldwick at United National. Donna Hopkins has a one-woman show for the month of January at the Provident Savings Bank, 930 No. Washington Ave., Green Brook. Fran Maurer had her painting "Spring Still-Life" accepted into the N.J. Watercolor Society Show and also won First in Pro Watercolor at the Dunellen Show.

Audrey Wreszin had a painting included in the North East Watercolor Society's National Exhibition at the Trotting Museum in Goshen, New York, October 4-30.

So! Where's the snow? Shall I keep on painting flowers? Happy 1995!